REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE IN THE CASE OF THE DINWIDDIE MEMBER HIS CONDUCT CRIMINAL AND INEXCU-ADOPTED-GOOD-BYE.

The special committee of the House of Del ega'es, consisting of three Republicans and two Conservatives, with Mr. W. F. Gordon, Louist, as chairman, to whom was referred a resolution directing an inquiry into conduct of R. D. Ruffin, a member of the House from the county of Dinwiddie, or saturday reported that the examination of sundry witnesses revealed the following state of facts:

Tast on the 11th instant the assistant cars of the House of Delegates, William J. Beger, Esq., issued a certificate to the said R. D. Ruffin for turce days' pay (\$18), which went into the hands of the first door-keeper for cellection, and was by him paid to Ross Hamilton upon an order of the said Ruffin in ever of Joseph Jorgenson, of Petersburg, he whom said order was endorsed to Hamilton; and that on Saturday the 12th instant day's pay (\$6) in favor of the said Ruffin, officer for collection. ARCHER SCOTT'S EVIDENCE.

Archer Scott, a member of the House from the county of Nottoway, stated that be procured a certificate on Saturday the 12th inthe first doorkeeper for collection by one of the pages of the House, and that after the adjournment of the House on Saturday be applied to the first doorkeeper for the smount due him, and was informed by that would make it good to him (Scott) on Monout of his private funds, which he did COLONEL CRITTENDEN'S STATEMENT.

The first doorkeeper, Colonel Charles T. pay him the amount due him, and opened his book so as to obtain his receipt; his book, he proceeded to the discharge of [Saturday being a very busy day with him], not noticing that the thirty dollars one Scott were missing. Alterwards, upon being applied to by Scott for the payment of the amount due him, he secame apprehensive that he had lost or mislaid the watrant for the amount; but after more reflection, and consultation with the second doorkeeper and others, he became to 3. satisfied that Ruffin had the money. He imcharged him with baving gotten the thirty appeared agitated and confused, and said at he would examine his accounts and see low the matter stood. No solution of the matter was then arrived at. After a short interval Colonel Crittenden again sought an interview with Kuffin, accompanied by the second doorkeeper, and after a short conversation, which he reiterated the charge, he inormed Ruffin that he would wait for him in Ruffin came out and gave him an order for five days' pay, which was paid on the 17th

OTHER TESTIMONY.

of his receipt-book when Ruffia signed the covered by insurance. receipt for the six dollars was abstracted by him, and not banded over to him. The that in the conversation between Crittenden and Ruffin, at which he was present, ceived a portion of a debt due kim from a that there had been some mistake in the payment; that he spoke of correcting to the secrelary and making inquiries about it.

Mr. Sullivan said that Ruffin was maich confused and excited, and that from his manner he was satisfied that he had taken the amount due to Archer Scott.

EUFFIN'S STORY. Ruffig Limself was next examined. Hie stated that it was his habit to go home every Scturday and return on Monday. That when, on Saturday the 12th instant, Colond Cristenden approached his seat to say him the amout dee him he was in a great hurry, dearing that he would be too late for the train; that Crictenden harded him the money, which he placed in his west pocket without counting it, and hurried off to the Petersourg ecfo. Upon reacking the depat he found the train gone, and had to remain in Richmond until & o'clock. During this interval be made no count or examination of his money. He said that before he received the amount from the first doerkeeper he had between twenty-five and thirty collars, and society, in a fee dollar note and three onedollar notes, which together amounted to the sum of forty-four dollars. In this amount he admitted that he had no note of the denomination of twenty dollars. Upon being books at Petersburg, lent five dollars to one dollars and a half for some purpose not recollected by the committee, three dollars for shoes, four dollars for groceries, and that he that upon his return to Richmond on Mon- ban's Hall,

DAILY DISPANCE

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day he had something over nine dollars (making a aggregate of fifty dollars and fifty cer. s). He stated that he did not discover that he had a twenty-dollar note in his possession until his return to Petersburg on Monday the 14th instant, and that then it occurred to him that some mistake had taken place in the payment to him by the secretary of the society.

RUFFIN'S ADMISSION.

He nevertheless admitted that he changed the note and used it, it never crossing his mind that he had received it from the doorkeeper of the House of Delegates. The witness made other statements which were irre levant, and his testimony throughout struck the committee as confused and contradictory and wholly unworthy of credit. The committee, from testimony in the case, which they have endeavored substantially to present to the House, are unanimously of opinion that R. D. Ruffia on Saturday the mainly in regard to the bonds placed in his 12th instant abstracted from the book of the first doorkeeper thirty dollars to ciation; and then called to the stand Colonel which he was not entitled, and that his subsequent use of this money is conclusive that he took it with a guilty intent; that his statement that he received the money from the doorkeeper, and that-in effect he did not know he had more than he was entitled to, is wholly discredited by the committee, and is contradicted by his testimony of the various payments made by him, which involved of necessity some examination of the amount in his possession.

VIEWS OF THE COMMITTEE. It can hardly be supposed that a party having in his possession funds to the amount of seventy dollars, if his statement be true, could make payments at different times amounting to near fifty dollars without some knowledge of the denomination of the MISLE-A RESOLUTION OF EXPULSION money; nor is it more than possible that in that amount a note for twenty dollars could have escaped observation. The fact that the sum abstracted as aforesaid consisted in part of a twenty-dollar note, and the admission of Ruffin that there was no note of that denomination in the funds possessed by him previously to the payment to him by Critenden, and the further admission that he used the note on his return to Petersburg. are, in the judgment of the committee, conclusive of this case. Had this money been paid to Ruffin by the doorkeeper through mistake he would, if his purposes had been honest, immediately upon his return to Richmond have sought Colonel Crittenden and rectified the error. INEXCUSABLE CONDUCT.

Even if he had spent the money a prompt acknowledgment of his couduct and a tender of repayment would have gone very far to relieve him of intentional wrong. But he did not do this. the assistant clerk issued a certificate for one He waited until he was confronted with the charge; was agitated and confused, which was placed in the hands of the same and only after repeated interviews, in which his conduct was marked by equivocation, consented to make reparation. His statement that he had between twenty-five and thirty dollars before the payment to him by Crittenden is discredited circumstantially by his order to Jorgenson, and directly by stant for five days' pay (\$30) and sent it to his own testimony. Putting the amount at thirty dollars, and adding thereto the sum of six dollars for one day's pay (which he must have known was all be was entitled to) and the eight dollars received from the society. and we have the aggregate, as before stated, efficer that although his book showed that of forty-four dollars. Yet his expenditures he was entitled to \$30, yet that there was some mistake about the matter; but that he lars and fifty cents, and left a balance in his pocket on his return of over nine dollars.

When asked if he had any other means of getting money beyond his per diem as a Crittenden, testified that he keeps his book member of the House of Delegates, he rereceipts from members of the House of plied that he had; that he was a practicing alphabetically, and he exhibited attorney, but he gave no account of any fee the same to the committee. From an inspect which had been recently received by him, tion of the book it appeared that the name except one for twenty dollars, which he of E. D. Ruffiu was on the left-hand page, stated was paid to him in Fredericksburg and that the name of Archer Scott was on some fifteen days ago while on a visit to that the succeeding right-hand page of the book. city. His assignment of a certificate of adougl Crittenden stated that the amounts five days' pay to Colonel Crittenden was respectively due to R. D. Ruffin and Archer an admission that he had the amount of it, consisting of a five-dollar note and a thirty dollars to which he was not entitled, one-dollar note due Ruffin, and of a ten- and his effort to show that this fact was dollar note and a twenty-dollar note due unknown to him while he was actually ex-Scott, were placed between these pages of pending it was vain and frivolous. If this his receipt-book; that he went to Ruffin's person was ignorant and unlettered this might plead in extenuation of his conduct, but he is a man of education at least sufficient that whilst Ruffin was signing the receipt his to entitle him to a license to practice law, attention was called off, and that, shutting up and is therefore rightfully amenable to the measure of the strictest justice. The committee in this view baye unanimously determined to recommend for adoption by the House the following resolution:

Resolved. That R. D. Ruffin, a delegate in the General Assembly from the county of found his account short by thirty dellars, and Dinwiddle, be expelled from the House of Delegates.

THE REPORT ADOPTED. The report was adopted by a vote of 98

Ruffla has been in numerous scrapes, and mediately upon arriving at that conclusion has made it a rule always to come out of sought Ruffin, but learned that he had left them in a manner disadvantageously to himthe city, and would not return until Monday. self. He is quite deeply in debt, among On Ruffin's return to the House, after 1 others to the colored Senator Stevens, who o'clock on Monday, he approached him and went security for Ruffin in the purchase of the latter's wedding suit. Stevens had an dollars to which he was not entitled. Ruffin order from Ruffin to draw the last days' pay due him. Ruftin asserts that he will be reelected by the people of Dinwiddie. Mere brag!

The Commonwealth's attorney of Richmond is considering the propriety of indicting Ruffin for petit larceny.

THE FIRE ON SATURDAY .-- On Saturday morning sparks from a chimney set fire to the rotunda of the Capitol. In a short time the roof of the framed dwelling-house No. 1010 St. John street, occupied by a colored man named Wallace Holmes. At 10:20 o'clock an alarm was sounded from Station 45, corner of St. James and Duval streets, which brought Colonel Crittenden was entirely comfident out the firemen, and the flames were speedly that the money (\$36) lying upon the page put out. Loss, twenty-five dollars, which is

FIRE ON CARY STREET. - On Saturday evesecond doorkeeper, Mr. Sullivan, testified ning at 7:25 o'clock an alarm of fire was turned in at Station 31, corner of Fourteenth and Main streets, occasioned by the partial Ruffin said his account showed an excess of burning of the third story of W. E. Dibrell eight dollars, and that the way he accounted & Co.'s tobacco manufactory, situated on the that I wrote myself, that Captain Fowle for it was that on his visit home he had re north side of Cary street near the corner of would justify any action whatever that I city, will leave to-night for Washington to Fourteenth street. The fire originated from might take in this matter, and signed by him attend the seventh annual ball of Columbia society to which he belonged, and supposed one of the journals of the cutting-machine, (Captain Fowle). and was discovered by Mr. Fontaine Dewitt. one of the firm, after work had been suspended two or three hours. He at once gave Fowle, and Judge Stevens? the alarm, and in an incredible time the Tenth-Street Hose Company as well as the other firemen were on the ground, and the fire at once put out. The loss is about four hundred dollars, and was chiefly on the smoking tobacco in bags, which was injured by water and smoke. Insured in the Commercial Fire Insurance Company of Rich-

> SENT TO THE PRESIDENTIARY FOR FOUR YEARS.—Frederick Mackett, who was indicted by the grand jury of the Mustings Court on Friday for breaking into the house of A. Whitlook and stealing a piece of leadpipe valued at one dollar, was tried before Judge Guigon on Saturday, convicted, and sent to the penitentiary for three years.

He was also convicted of a second offence of petit larceny, and sent to the penitentiary for one year.

Hackett was conveyed to the penitentiary soon after his conviction. Upon reaching during his visit house he received the sum there he was recognized as aconvict recently of eight dollars from the secretary of his discharged, and will, of course, have ave years added to his term, making nine years in all.

CHARGED WITH ROBBING THE GOVERNOR'S STABLES .- Sergeant Hall arrested John Jones asked how he had expended the mo- alias Green Lancaster on Saturday evening hey he had, he stated that he paid ten charged with robbing the Governor's stadollars for help on his farm, ten dollars for bles on the 15th of a lot of tools, clothing, man and two dollars to another, paid two the stable of Robert Johnson, on Clay street near Brook avenue, on Friday night.

SKATING CARNIVAL .- On Friday there will had treated away five dollars or more, and be a skating carnival at the rink at St. Al

DRAW-POKER.

DETAILS OF HOW STEVENS AND FOWLE

PLAYED-EXPERIENCE OF A VETERAN-THE SPLENDID FOOD AT WORSHAM'S. SAD REFLECTION UPON A HOTEL-AR-RIVAL OF MR. HUNTER, "THE MUTUAL FRIEND "-IMPORTANT TESTIMONY FROM HIM-STEVENS CALLED TO THE STAND.

The House special committee appointed to nvestigate the conduct of Judge George Stevens in winning certain funds from Delegate Fowle, of Alexandria, met Saturday morning. They heard the conclusion of Senator C. T. Smith's deposition, which was hands as a trustee of the Montpelier Asso-John Minor.

Colonel Minor said : I reside in Loudoun county, and am by occupation a farmer. Am at present first doorkeeper to the Senate. Know nothing about the gambling between Fowle and Stevens.

GOOD BATING. Q. Do you know anything of Judge Stevens having gambled with any person since he has been judge? A. No particular person.

Q. Do you know anything of Judge Sterens's habits with regard to gambling or frequenting gambling-houses? A. I have been to Worsham's gambling louse, where I met Judge Stevens and many other gentlemen of high standing. I die not go for the purpose of gambling, but to obtain better food than I get at my hotel.

STEVENS'S GAMBLING PROPENSITIES. Q. Do you know of Judge Stevens having played at cards or any other game at said

house? A. I have seen Judge Stevens playing cards as I was passing to and fro through the house-the game known as poker. I saw no money, but chips, and at one time saw him sitting at a faro-table with a number of other gentlemen. " WHAT ARE CHIPS?"

Q. By Rev. Mr. Massey : What do you mean by "chips," and what are they designed to represent? [Laughter.] A. "Chips" are pieces of ivory of different color, used to represent money. [Laugh-Q. On how many different occasions have

you seen Judge Stevens at said house? A. Not more than two or three times, and these occasions include the playing of shortcards and faro.

Cross-questioned by Judge S'evens: Q. Do you know any act of mine or fact reflecting upon my judicial character.

A. None whatever. The committee adjourned till 4:30 P. M.

THE MUTUAL FRIEND. Mr. Alexander Hunter, of Alexandria, wanted. Mr. Fowle telegraphed him to and south of the Potomac. come down, and he came. Judge Guigon excused him.

the committee.

ME. HUNTER'S EVIDENCE. I reside in Alexandria and am a journalist. I know nothing whatever of the alleged get no particulars whatever from bim, only with Judge Stevens and had lost some of any similar institution in the State. money, the amount of which he did not them.

INATE LOVE OF FAIR PLAY.

Q. State if you know what induced Judge Stevens to surrender those bonds and checks? believe he surrendered them because his inate love of fair play and a desire to have the whole matter quietly settled without pub-

I recollect I told him that my friend was in a desperate state of mind at the loss of the money, and that I thought it but fair that some amount should be returned to him. Judge Stevens agreed with me, and surrendered the amount that I have already designated, which I considered fair on his

ABOUT THE DUEL. Q. A statement has been published to the effect that you informed Judge Stevens that he would either have to surrender a part of his winnings or meet Captain Fowle in mortal combat. Was there any truth in this statement; if so, bow much of truth. A. I informed him that the condition of my friend was such that unless some ar-

rangement could be made I could not be re- D. Redd. sponsible for his actions. THE COMPACT. Judge Stevens's words, as near as I can give them, were: "I give up these bonds because I am disposed to be liberal." There was an agreement between us in writing, but I have not that paper. It was a paper

Q. Was there any writing between you, as the friend and represensative of Captain A. Yes, sir. I have no copy of that writing. Its purport was that this matter and water communication of North America,

satisfaction of both parties. THE BONDS. Q. State if you know whether Judge Stevens surrendered to you all the bonds and

other effects that he had won from Captain A. As I did not see the amount won by him, I do not know as a matter of fact; as a question of belief, I believe he did not. Steveus surrendered not all, but part, he said. He made the surrender voluntarily, and I tendered him the writing voluntarily. We talked the matter over five or ten minutes.

OWNERSHIP OF THE BONDS. Q. In your interview with Judge Stevens did you inform him to whom the bonds won by him of Captain Fowle belonged? A. No, sir. I had two interviews with Judge Stevens.

PUMPED DRY. Q. Mr. Hunter, have you stated to the committee all you know of the matters now under investigation? If not, state all you W. Hill, who had been previously indicted do know of them.

A. I am pumped dry. At the suggestion of Mr. Starke, of the committee, Mr. Hunter withdrew that answer. He then said: "I have told all the facts of the case, as far as I can recollect, in the committee's cross-examination. I have stated in substance all the facts of the case as far as my memory bears me."

C, and made parts of this question; please state if these are the papers given me by OFFICIAL INQUIRY INTO THE GAME you on the occasion of the interview with me as mentioned in this deposition?

The papers referred to are as follows: RICHMOND, VA., January 6, 1875.

To Judge Stevens: My friend Alexander Hunter has full authority to arrange all my matters. Whatever he decides upon has my full endorsement. W. H. FOWLE.

RICHMOND, VA., January 6, 1876. The whole matter involving the possession of certain bonds is thoroughly and satisfactorily adjusted to the perfect satisfaction of both parties. ALEXANDER HUNTER.

House of Delegates, January 5, 1876. Dear Sir,-This will introduce to you my fried Mr. Alexander Hunter, of Alexandria, whom I beg leave to introduce to you. He is a gentleman of character and position. Yours truly, &c., R. A. COGHILL. To Judge Stevens.

STEVENS AS A WITNESS. On motion of Mr. Starke, Judge Stevens

was called as a witness. Judge Stevens desired the committee to djourn over until Monday in order that he might consult Mr. Coghill, as his friend, not as his counsel. Adjourned till this (Monday) morning.

REV. J. L. M. CURBY IN NAPLES .- The Naples correspondent of the American Register, a paper published in Paris, sends the following very interesting paragraph concerning Rev. J. L. M. Curry, D. D., of Richmond, which will be read with pleasure by Dr. Curry's many friends in this city and

We have recently had several representa-

tive Americans in Naples, and amongst them

I will only mention the Rev. Dr. Curry, of Richmond, Va., whose manly and forcible discourse on the connection of Church and State created such a breeze at the meetings of the Evangelical Alliance in New York, and the Rev. Dr. S. F. Smith, from Newton, Mass., the author of our national hymn beginning "My country,'tis of thee," etc. Rev. Dr. Curry was formerly one of the most eloquent members of Congress from Alabama, but afterwards laid saide forensic honors for the pulpit, and has proved himself in proclaiming the great truths of Christianity not one whit behind his former power. so manifest in the halls of legislation. Some years ago he was appointed professor of the college at Richmond, Va., and that institution has reached a degree of prosperity never

before attained in its annals. Dr. Curry has just returned from an ex-

correspondent gave a few weeks ago. Dr. Curry has made in his travels quite a large collection of antiquities, some of which who acted in the difficult position of mutual are very rare, for the museum of the Richfriend in recovering from Judge Stevens cer- mond College. I spent a day with Dr Curry gon and to apologize for not coming to the never enjoyed any visit so much as with this city sooner. He said he had not received gentleman, divine, and scholar, who reprethe summons, and did not know until he sents those men who will do more for the saw the newspapers that his presence was South than all the blatant politicians north

PUBLIC EXERCISES AT BROOK HIGH-SCHOOL. As this school, located in Henrico county about three miles north of the city, in Brook- in three patterns, as described above. It is General Assembly of Virginia as a candidate dark seal-brown, and navy-blue for lower and he had Brown arrested. Brown was for the necessary legislation to enable it to skirts, with white lines or plaids in the upper gambling, only what I heard afterwards. I enlarge its sphere of usefulness by the addi- skirt. received a telegram from Captain Fowle on tion of a collegiate department—the Senate the 5th of January, 1876, to be here at once, having already passed the bill-and is said material of this school is pronounced by those that he had been engaged in playing cards who ought to know as unsurpassed by that plum color.

Among the young ladies deserving of know exactly. I saw Judge S'evens in special mention were Miss Lucy T. Redd in a large house back of the Governor's the characters of Mrs. Jonquil, Mrs. Flannamansion. I inquired of him if he won gan, and Miss Betty Wrinkle, and also in any money of my friend Captain vocal music; Miss Lucy R. Carter as Mrs. Fowle. He said he had won several thou-O'Reilly, Mrs. Tiptop, and Mrs. Bobbidge, sand dollars in bonds and a check for \$600. and in her readings; Miss Clara Rice in her After an interview he gave me to return to readings and vocal music, as not only almost Captain Fowle six \$500 bonds and a \$600 faultless in the rendition of their respective check, which check and bonds I delivered to parts, but as catching the spirit of the char-Major Thomas Brander, Captain Fowle being acters they personated, and presenting them | der, the shape being generally long and narincapable at that time of taking care of in a manner that would do credit to some professionals.

Of the young men who took part in the exercises T. Crawford Redd, in the characters of Paul Smithers, Delmont, Mr. Wise-A. I can't answer that question, as it man, and the Conjurer, with Howard Davis would be a mere surmise on my part; but I as Dr. Killorcure, the Postman, and the Traveller, with B. F. Ladd as the servants Tom and Jack, with little Jemmy Reddas the Arkansas squatter; Mr. Elford and Jack in the dialogue of the Conjurer, with Joseph R. Rennie in his declamation of the piece "Quid Proximum," deserve to be kindly remembered. But where so many were engaged and the different parts so well renand entertaining exercises will be present at worn with a very plain walst, as it is quite a he next exhibition.

The piano, a fine new one, was obtained frem Mr. Henry C. Wyatt, and gave general satisfaction. The exercises were closed by an address from Rev. John B. Crenshaw, in which he gave an interesting historical sketch of the locality of the school, &c. The programme for the entertainment was interspersed with delightful vocal and instrumental music. Mr. John J. Morris is principal of the school, and is assisted by Mr. E.

PERSONAL .- Mr. Reuben Marshall, of Baltimore, is in the city with a large supply of elegant costumes for the colonial ball, which takes place to morrow night at the Theatre. He will have them on exhibition at Asso ciation Hall to-day and to-morrow.

State Senator William E. Tanner, of this Commandery, Knights Templar, of Washing-

Mr. Paul Michailoff, an engineer commis sioned from the Imperial Russian Government to examine and report on the ports between Captain Fowle and Judge Stevens is at the Exchange Hotel. On Saturday he was finally and thoroughly adjusted to the was visited by Mr. Whitcomb, engineer of the James River Improvement.

> WAR OF THE ROSES .- The ladies of the Second Presbyterian church propose to have a festival at their lecture-room early in March, at which time the rival claims of gaudy, but quite pretty when combined York and Lancaster will be discussed and with darker trimming. decided. The novelty of the entertainment It is hinted that straw bonnets with slik and the benevolent objects to be assisted will give them an extensive patronage, no doubt. are to be worn; not so far front as to shade

ROBBERY OF A BANK .- San Francisco, Febglars last night while the caskier was working at the accounts. They knocked down and chloroformed the cashier and robbed the bank of \$27,000, of which \$22,000 belonged to the county treasurer. The cashier was found insensible on a table this morning.

WHAT IT COSTS TO PLAY A GAME OF PORER In the Hustings Court on Saturday George for playing poker, came forward to answer thirty dollars and costs; which being paid he was allowed to depart in peace.

ARRESTED FOR STEALING Eggs .- Sergeant CHOSS-EXAMINATION. room of Campe Williams, and stealing fif-question by Judge Sievens: Mr. Hunter, 1 teen dozen eggs, valued at three dollars. dress being jauntily looped sufficiently to

you are here shown papers marked A B | SPRING STYLES FOR THE LADIES. | show the edge of the skirt. But at another A FEW ADDITIONAL HINTS-THE DRESS of the summer styles. GOODS AND MILLINERY INSPECTED-

> The bright sunshine, the beautiful blue sky, and the pure air of Saturday naturally enough turned the attention of the fair ladies of Richmond to the new spring goods now being so tastefully exhibited in the storewindows of our enterprising merchants. The pretty bonnets, too; the hats, and other ornaments for the head, attracted not a little notice; and during all of the day the streets were thronged with ladies who were trying to make up their minds what and where to

ORNAMENTS FOR THE NECK, &c.

The shafts of ridicule have never ceased to be simed at the changes of fashion; but why ridicule the inevitable? And all must acknowledge that the spring fashions are each year looked forward to with renewed interest.

The men may preach and prate as much as they like against the sway of this vain world's goddess, and swear that woman has ruined herself at last; but where is the one who is not as ready to declare his sweetheart more charming than ever in her new spring suit? To-day a few more hints are offered, but the question of first importance is, of course,

WHAT STYLE OF GOODS WILL BE WORN? To answer this it may be said that soft voollen de bèges, arranged to show three different patterns in a costume-viz., plain grounds, graduated stripes, and plaids. The natural beige brown is the popular color among these goods, and is generally shown in the plain part of the costume. The stripes consist of three tones of color,-dark, medium, and bright-and are of graduated These graduated triple-toned width. stripes are predicted to be conspicuous features, repeated in all the different kinds of materials, from silk down to calico. The model represents a spring suit as arranged in this way-viz., the sleeves, lower skirt and flounces of the plain stuff; the stripe forms bias bands on the flounces and on the overdress, while the plaid is used for the waist and overdress. Black and gray shades are very much worn in these costumes.

Cream-color will be more abundantly used next season than at present. There are three shades of cream-color in the fine tissues. grenadines, and damasks. The first and ightest shade is ivoire, the next is ble vert (balf-ripe wheat), and the third is ble mur (ripe wheat).

STRIPED OR NATTH STUFFS.

The striped woollen goods will be preferred to plaids when only one figured fabric is used. The graduated brown stripes are tensive tour in Turkey, Palestine, and quite pretty, the ground being of light from Paterson, N. J., and has been here eight Egypt. In the last named country he met grayish brown, with groups of five or six or nine months. He knew Hand; was in A. Geigg's, Tenth and Main streets. his old friend and companion-in-arms Gene- stripes at intervals. These stripes, beginning Richmond before Hand's arrest. A fight ral Loring, an interesting biographical in the imagination, widen by degrees to the sketch of whom the Register's Egyptian fourth of an inch. The same designs are shown in pure grays, in blue-grays, and in commanded the peace. navy-blue. Checks of bold size will also be worn

again. The natte, or basket-woven woollens, are even more largely imported than when tain funds won by him from Delegate Fowle, in Pompeii, and though I have visited that at first introduced. They come in all the arrived in the city Saturday morning. His old Greco-Osco-Roman city a hundred times popular shades-cream, beige, blue-gray, placed in his post-office and addressed first movement was to cast upon Judge Gui- and have made a study of it for years, I have and navy-blue; also with lines of bars of to Senator Edgar Allan, at Richmond. contrasting color. Gray basket plaids, with scarlet, blue, or

gilt base at wide intervals, are pretty for suspected that Owen was correspondchildren.

cotton fabric. It comes ready for costum land district, is now prominently before the also shown in stripes of blue with gray, in

GRENADINES.

Black grenadine selon sa coûtume will be and I came on the same night train, and the to be very justly the pride of our county the standard dress for summer wear. There next morning (of the 6th of January) I found friends and fully abreast of the times in the are striped and barred grenadines, also him at the club-house, corner of Third and onward progress of educational training, we plaided and lace stripes, with open-work al-Franklin streets. Captain Fowle's condition notice this morning the public exercises that ternating with plain stripes. There are also was such from excessive drink that I could came off there on Friday afternoon. The solid-colored, cream-tinted natte grenadines, while others are of cream, old blue, or NECKTIES, SCARFS, MTC.

It is so seldem that an article of dress springs at once into general favor at its introduction that the prevailing rage for cashmere lace is all the more surprising. For years nothing that comes under the head of lingerie has been so popular as the searfs which tie loosely around the throat, ties of all other variety being for a time laid aside. Many of these scarfs are composed of cashmere netting with lace supplying the borrow, although square and three-cornered scarfs are supplied to tie loosely around the shoulders, outside the collar, after the manner of a fichu. New white neckties are of linen lawn exquisitely embroidered, or simply hemstitched all around, and are not, as

formerly, trimmed with lace. Some few ladies wear crepe de chine ties, of delicate colors, tied directly around the ants was conveyed to the almshouse. throat; but this style is not generally in vogue, as white and ecru laces are so much more becoming. A new style in colored neckties copies precisely the "Albert" worn by gentlemen. A long, folded strip of silk is passed through a slide, over which a fine dered it is hardly fair to discriminate. No silk netting is drawn, the ends falling low doubt those who are fond of such instructive upon the bust. Such a scarf can only be garniture in itself. Rich laces and plain and everybody who heard him last year will shapes are preferred to more showy designs of course go to hear him again. in inferior qualities.

There are few innovations in the way of collars—the straight-back with turned over points being as popular as when first introduced. Wide turn-down collars, although quite new, are not becoming, therefore not popular. The cuffs, however, are quite extersively worn, as they serve to show off a pretty hand. Round collars of Hamburgh edging are the favorite style for children, at present.

There has, as yet, been no material differ ence in the shape of hats for the approaching season, although there are many new ideas in the way of trimming.

The taste for light felt hats is universal and although they were at first only chosen by brunettes, to whom they are strikingly becoming, they have now become popular with the fairest blondes, who manage by the proper adjustment of dark trimmings to make them very appropriate.

A new kind of bonnet trimming, calle: basket braid, is becoming very popular for binding felt and velvet bats. As the selvedges are firm, and the centre very yielding, the brim. This braid is supplied in all shades and

black. Contrary to what might be supposed, such a showy variety of garniture is not

crowns, of quite a sensible size and shape, that pensive brow, nor so far back as to give that retranchi look to the head so noticeable ruary 18 .- A dispatch from Bakersfield says in the bonnets of the past season. A favorthe Kern Valley Bank was entered by bur- ite style of hat is represented as being of brown felt, trimmed with a long brocaded scarf, passed loosely around the crown, forming a large bow and ends at the left side. A cluster of roses supplies the only face trimming, while the new silk binding previously described gives a stylish finish to the brim.

One of the fairest of the many attractive young ladies of this city, who has just returned from New York, and who, by the way, is to take part in the Colonial bail tomorrow night, returns to Richmond with a the indictment, pleaded guilty, and was fined white felt hat elaborately yet tastefully trimmed with feathers, white ribbon bow and long ends at the back; a dress of gray plaid decidedly pinned back with innumerable tiny bows at the back, and a large white Perrin arrested Robert Lewis and John Gar- silk one at the right side. What may be nett, two colored youths, charged with break- termed an innovation in the style of undering and entering in the night-time the store- skirts that have been worn in Richmond is a dress being jauntily looped sufficiently to

time we may have something further to say

"Home, Sweet Home"-JIMMY HAND'S FAREWELL TO RICHMOND .- James Hand, the convicted tax commissioner of Paterson, N. ., arrested here by Knox and Wren, was brought before Judge Wellford Saturday evening for final hearing on the habeas corpus proceedings. Explanations which oc-curred between Mr. Cabell, Mr. Neeson, and the Judge developed the facts that Detective Whitehead was rightly in the possession of the paper taken from him by Judge Wellford the evening before; that that paper did not belong to the Governor, but was Whitelead's letter of authority as the agent of New Jersey, and that Mr. Neeson and Judge Wellford mistook it for the requisition. The fact is that Mr. Whitehead endeavored to explain on Friday that the requisition was in the Governor's bands, and that the paper demanded of him was the only thing he had to show that he was an officer of the State of New Jersey; but one of the counsel for defence prevented him, and caused him to take

his seat abruptly.
The Judge and Mr. Neeson exonerated the Governor, Secretary of the Common-wealth, and Executive clerks, from any blame by confessing that they mistook the detective's commission for the requisition by not thoroughly examining it.

Mr. Hoxesy, Saturday evening, insisted on the discharge of Hand, alleging that he had not been sufficiently identified as the James Hand the requisition claimed, &c. The Judge decided that he could not go behind the Governor's warrant of rendition, and that the Constitution and laws made the Governor's warrant conclusive, and that Hand was identified fully and completely by

his admissions. The property taken from Hand, including \$120 in money, was directed to be turned over to the New Jersey officers. Judge Wellford returned Whitehead his commission and remanded the prisoner to the custody of Sergeant Cook, to be delivered up under the warrant of rendition. Judge Wellford also ordered that a copy of the order of court be furnished Whitehead.

It was the purpose of the New Jersey officers to leave the city yesterday afternoon Hand is in good spirits, but does not care to return home to receive his sentence. He would rather stay here, and would have escaped from juit with Muller had he known whither to fire.

As the party went out of Judge Wellford's court-room Saturday evening some rough words passed between Independent Detec tive Knox and Thomas Hughes. Hughes was called as a witness in the case. He is would probably have occurred between Knox and Hughes had not Sergeant Cook lustily

A POSTMASTER IN TROUBLE .- S. D. Brown

postmaster at Green Bay, Prince Edward county, was before Commissioner Shields on Saturday, charged with opening a letter The letter was written by Captain beverage. Price for two-year old, \$2.50 per gallon; Henry T. Owen, and Brown rightly price for three-year old, \$3.50 per gallon. ing with Allan to get him out of office. Brown opened the letter and read it, and The greatest novelty in wash goods for cos. shortly afterwards Owen called at the office tumes is the toile d'Alsace-a soft, unglazed and asked that the letter be returned to him order that he might enclose in it two postage-stamps. When the letter was handed him he discovered that it had been opened. sent on to answer at the April term of the United States Court, and was bailed in \$500, with Edgar Allan as surety for his ap pearance. In 1869 Wells, Dudley, Zincke and Bond were arrested, charged with opening a letter addressed to the same person, but they were able to get off without very much trouble.

> THE MISSING MULLER.-Up to 12 o'clock Saturday night Muller had not been recaptured. Several officers who went in pursuit of him returned to the city Saturday afternoon after an unsuccessful search. It is reported that Muller went from Richmond in buggy, taking his course down the Williamsburg road. If so it is probably his purpose to get aboard some wood-vessel or fishing-smack, and thus escape from the

Judge Gulgon has notified Sergeant Cook that an investigation as to the circumstances of Muller's escape from juil will have to be

CUTTING AFFAIR .- On Saturday evening about half-past 6 o'clock a difficulty occurred between Thornton Sykes and James Pleasants on Third street near the colored the present year have to be paid by the purchaser. Methodist church, during which Sykes cut Pleasants very badly in the abdomen. The of the year the taxes have to be paid by the seller. city ambulance was summoned, and Placi-

THE BARNABEE CONCERTS .- The sale of reserved seats for the Barnabee concerts at Assembly Hall Wednesday and Thursday nights is progressing satisfactorily. The company is composed of some of the finest musical talent in the country, and we may expect a brief season of very great enjoyment. Burnabee stands without a rival in his line, One of the Halifax papers compliments

Mr. Barnabee in this way : Mr. Barnabee is a genius. He is not only a superior basso, but there is a vein of humor in him which crops out so unmistakably and so irresistibly, especially when he sings anything comic, that the audience invariably goes into convulsions of laughter. This lat ter quality in him would of itself be a fitting passport to popularity wherever a good hearty, genuine laugh is relished; but Mr Barnabee is withal a cultivated singer, and renders some of the most difficult passages of operatic music in a manner not often heard outside the opers.

Mrs. Carter, a distinguished soprano, who is a member of the company, is also highly spoken of. One of the most enjoyable features of the concerts, however, will be the performances of Miss Persis Bell upon the violin. Wherever the company has been they have won golden opinions, and such will no doubt be the case here. CONVEYANCES OF REAL ESTATE FOR THE

WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 19, 1876.-Lots fronting-27 feet on Catharine street near nothing is easier than to adjust it properly on Munford for \$1,600; 343 feet on Wharf street for \$286; 35 feet on F street between Monroe and Henry for \$2,185; 381 feet on widths, even in silver and gilt mixed with Lowndes street between Seventeenth and Buchanan for \$176; 80 1.6 feet on Sixth street between I and K for \$2,111; 132 feet on N s'reet corner Thirty-first for \$65; 66 feet on N street between Thirty-first and Thirty-second for \$206; 68 feet on G street corner Seventh for \$8,531; 43 feet on alley near E street for \$250; 30 feet on St. John street for \$150; 122 feet on Brook avenue for \$3,000; 41 7-12 feet on Monroe street between F and G for \$1,400; 75 feet on D street between Fourteenth and Fifteenth for \$1,500; 50 feet on State street near Williams burg avenue for \$841; 16 feet on Twelfth street between K and L for \$960; 343 feet on Wharf street for \$286; 27 feet on E street between Third and Fourth for \$6,000; 33 feet on H street near Twenty-ninth for \$500 30 feet on Third street between D and E for

at 4:30 P. M.

A WAR RELIC.-While the hands were dredging a day or two ago at Dutch Gap they fished out of the river an infantry bugle which probably belonged to some of Butier's men.

[FOR OTHER LOCAL SEE POURTE PAGE.]

TERMS OF ADVERTISING

TEN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS of indemnity against loss or damage by fire is offered by Mezers. THOMAS M. ALFRIEND & SON to all who have property of any kind to insure. This is one of the oldest and most reliable insurance agencies in this city, representing some of the oldest and richest companies of the United States, such as the Fire Association of Philadelphia, the Pennsylvania Fire Insurance Company of Philadelphia, the American Fire Insurance Company, the Citizens Insurance Company of Newark, N. J., the Mercantile Mutual Marine Insurance Company of New York, and several of our Virginia companies. Virginia policy-holders have, in addition to the large capital and established reputation for the prompt payment of losses of these companies, the further security of \$75,000 deposited by them with the Treasurer of the State.

We call special attention to the very full and satisfactory statements of these companies of their condition on the 1st of January to be found in our advertising columns. THE CONCERTS OF THE SEASON will be given at

GRISWOLD'S STARCH-FINISH improves the quality of starch, makes ironing easy, and gives a nice finish to linen. Will be for sale in a few days by CHRISTIAN & WHITE, ARCHER & BOOKER, W. T.

FITZGERALD & BROTHER, W. H. TATUM, SHELLDS

& CARY, and other leading grocers.

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Messrs. J. E. MORRIS & Co., No. 4 Governor street, are manufacturer's agents for GRISWOLD'S STARCH-FINISH.

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quantities of it, and will certify it has saved many

lives by its thoroughly purifying the blood and permanently curing coughs, colos, sore-throat, catarrh, and consumption. SILK HATS.-Fashionable and elegant spring styles just received by MACMURDO & REDFORD

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wish to see specimens or ob ain estimates, feeling BOSCHEN & BROTHER offer their winter stock of Boots, Shoes, Trunks, and Vallses at very low prices in order to make room for spring goods.

509 and 511 BROAD STREET. DISPATCH PRINTING-HOUSE .- In order to meet the constantly increasing demands of our trade we have added a well-selected assortment of NEW TYPE, which, together with our IMPROVED MA-CHINERY and SKILPUL MECHANICAL TALERT, warrant us in guaranteeing the VERY BEST CLASS OF WORK at moderate figures and in the most ex-

editions manner. CUSTOM (hand-made) WORK to order, and guaranteed to fit. Repairing neatly done by BOSCHEN & BROTHER,

AUCTION SALES THIS DAY.

BE On all sales of Real Estate made between the 1st of January and last of June the taxes for On all sales made between the 1st of July and last [This custom was adopted about fifteen years ago by all the real estate agents in Richmond, and ap-plies to Richmond and vicinity.]

R. S. ANDERSON, 10% A. M., groceries, platform-. D. WHITEHEAD, 10% A. M., assortment of

AUGUSTINE HOYALL, Manchester, 10% A. M., twelve mules, seven horses, thirteen new carts, two wagons and harness, twenty sets of new GRUBBS & WILLIAMS, 12 M., three-story fron-front store No. 10 Governor street, between

Main and Franklin. PICHARDSON & CO., 4 P. M., two two-story frame dwellings (Nos. 780 and 782) on the west side of Third street between Jackson and

THOMPSON BROWN, 4 P. M., framed dwelling on Laurel street near Spring street. GODDIN, WARREN & CO., 4% P. M., hours and lot on the Fairfield road near Seventeenth street.

SPECIAL NOTICES. NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!!

T. R. PRICE & CO. have just opened WHITE-GROUND PERCALES (4-4). SPRING CALITOES,

SHIRTING, PRINTS, BLACK CASHMERES, BLACK SILKS-great bargains; Elegant line LADIES' KID GLOVES, LINEN COLLARS, CACHEMERE LACES and SCARFS, &c. The stock of WINTER DRESS GOODS-also a

lot of SPRING GOODS left over-will be sold at far less than original cost. IRISH LINENS, LINEN SHEETINGS, CASSI-MERES, &c., to be sold at job prices. T. R. PRICE & CO.,

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We have just received a supply of our MEDICI-NALLY PURE COD-LIVER OIL, which is made only of HEALTHY, FRESH LIVERS, and has the endorse-ment of physicians and patients that it is MORE-ACCEPTABLE TO THE STOMACH and more readily MEADE & BAKER,

919 Main street, Richmond, Va. ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD. The above reward of ONE HUNDRED DOL-LARS will be paid by me for the arrest and delivery of ANDREW MULLER, an escaped prisoner, to me at the jail of the city of Richmond.

Sergeant City of Richmond S733.

COUNCIL MATTERS.—The Common Council about ave feet seven and a half inches high; forty-diversify years of age; dark complexion; black over half, and heard; speaks German, French, and English—the latter slightly broken—and has been for years past a professional gambler; but does not present the appearance of one, being quiet and reticent in his conversation and demeasor, and

plain in his dress. He broke jail on Friday morn-ing. February 18, 1876, about 8% o'clock. fc 19-5s 3,000 CAKES PINE-TREE-TAR from chapped hands said rough skin. Price, 10c.

For sale by POLE MILLER & CO. Apo MILLER & PIERCE: COURSE FIRE SEA